

EXPLOSION KILLS ONE

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One Man Killed and Another Wounded When Boiler Bursts.

The exploding of a threshing engine boiler on the Frank Kamen farm two miles west of Rudolph yesterday afternoon caused the death of J. R. Everett, farm hand and the serious injury of Franklin J. Parkhurst, another farm hand. The eight year old son of Mr. Kamen was slightly bruised by being struck by a fragment of the boiler.

The accident occurred shortly after threshing had been commenced. Everett was pitching bundles when the boiler exploded, a huge piece of the boiler striking him in the abdomen and hurling him for a distance of 20 feet. Death was instantaneous. Parkhurst stood beside the wagon on which Everett was working, when the explosion occurred. He was hit by three pieces of the boiler, sustaining two broken ribs, a broken arm, and a bad cut in the thigh.

Both victims of the accident were hired by Mr. Kamen only the night before the accident. The body of the dead man was brought to the Wilson undertaking parlors. Everett was about 25 years of age and has relatives at Oregon, Mo., who have been notified. Both men came to Aberdeen from Omaha Thursday.

The bundle wagon was set on fire by the explosion, and it was necessary to hitch a team of horses to the separator and haul it away in order to save it from destruction by fire—Aberdeen American.